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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 910 By Davis L

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Ms. Ina F. Maxwell on being named Pleasant Hill Elementary School Teacher of the Year for grades 5-8.

WHEREAS, the Tennessee General Assembly is proud to recognize those teachers who through their adroit teaching skills have demonstrated excellence in the classroom, and have challenged their students to become productive citizens; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Ina F. Maxwell is one such gifted educator, who was recently recognized as the Pleasant Hill Elementary School Teacher of the Year for grades 5-8; and WHEREAS, Ms. Maxwell is a highly admired teacher at Pleasant Hill Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, she received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Elementary Education from Tennessee Technology University in 1989; and

WHEREAS, in the fall of 1995, Ms. Maxwell received a Master of Arts Degree in Curriculum and Instruction, with a concentration in reading; and

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WHEREAS, that same year Maxwell joined the staff at Pleasant Hill, where she has demonstrated tremendous versatility, teaching numerous subjects in many different grades, and has proven to be a valuable asset to the school; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Maxwell has also made numerous significant contributions to the teaching profession; in1990, she participated in an important research study with Tennessee Tech to improve teacher education programs at the school. Ms. Maxwell was a member of the Education 2000 Curriculum Objectives and Activities Committee for grades 6, 7, and 8; and

WHEREAS, during the 1995 spring semester at Tennessee Tech, this distinguished teacher supervised a math practicum student from the school; and

WHEREAS, she has repeatedly volunteered her time and expert leadership as co-chair of the academic banquet, which honors students for academic excellence, and as a member of both the Pleasant Hill School Planning Team and the school's Improvement Team; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Maxwell was also the sponsor of the annual staff from 1992-1994 and 1996-1997, and was the sponsor of the academic bowl team from 1992-1993; and

WHEREAS, her students participate in the life changing 4-H and D.A.R.E. Programs; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Maxwell is a widely respected member of the Cumberland County

Education Association; the Tennessee Education Association, having served as a delegate to
the 1993 TEA Representative Assembly; the National Education Association; a local and state
member of the Tennessee Reading Association; and a member of the International Reading
Association; and

WHEREAS, Ina Maxwell's numerous honors include her receipt of a Certificate of Appreciation for story telling participation in 1992, being named Pleasant Hill Elementary School Teacher of the Year for grades 5-8 in 1996, 1997, 1998, and 1999, and being chosen the 1997 Cumberland County Teacher of the Year for grades 5-8; and

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WHEREAS, Ms. Maxwell is very active in her church and has been fortunate to have the strong support of her husband, Greg; and their two children Gregory and Mary Beth; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we pause to honor this notable educator in deep appreciation for all her good work; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we honor and commend one of our best and brightest teachers, Ms. Ina F. Maxwell, on her selection as the Pleasant Hill Elementary School Teacher of the Year for grades 5-8, and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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